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“The Language of the Eye,” from local artist Vanessa Paulina opens at the Westin Art Gallery



Vanessa and one of her famous Virginia paintings



Westin Art Gallery curators Jan and Eefje van Straten were proud to unveil the newest collection of works by noted is-

land artist Vanessa Paulina on Saturday, June 6; expositions usually last for two months.

Paulina has become particularly known in art circles for her sly depictions of a local historical figure, Virginia, a slave who was frequently punished for running away and other “unacceptable”-translate “rebellious,” behavior. When viewing the artist with her works dedicated to the saucy young slave, one is convinced there may be an element of self-portrait in these subtle mixed-media creations.

The balance of the current exposition very much focuses on memories of Aruban life; her own childhood and more historic moments deploy a number of her family members as models. The artist commented she feels her own past “reflected in the eyes of a new generation.”

If the “eyes are the window of the soul,” Paulina seems to enjoy the happy, carefree emotions of young children, and are inspired by the boundless energy and innocence.



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Senate Republicans rap Obama's high court pick

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan promised yesterday to take an impartial approach to the law after Republicans criticized her qualifications and objectivity on the first day of her Senate confirmation hearing.

Kagan, Obama's solicitor general and a former Harvard Law School dean, is widely expected to be confirmed next month to an ideologically divided Supreme Court, but Republicans indicated they would not make it easy.

In opening statements in the Senate Judiciary Committee hearing, they repeatedly raised questions about her lack of experience as a judge and portrayed her as a lawyer more interested in political activism

than legal precedents.

"Your relatively thin record clearly shows that you've been a political lawyer," Republican Senator Charles Grassley told Kagan, who sat placidly at the witness table through more than two hours of opening statements.

"A judge needs to be an independent arbiter, not an advocate or rubber-stamp for a political agenda," he said.

In her brief opening testimony, Kagan praised the court and said she would rule impartially and with deference to the wishes of the people and lawmakers.

"I will work hard and I will do my best to consider every case impartially, modestly, with commitment to principle, and in accordance with law,"

she said.

Kagan said the Court must ensure the government never oversteps its bounds, but "the court must also recognize the limits on itself and respect the choices made by the American people."

Kagan's nomination to replace retiring Justice John Paul Stevens has not sparked a political fight, in part because she is not expected to change the court's fragile ideological balance and in part because she has no judicial record to pick through.

The nomination also has been overshadowed by a heavy crush of political news, including the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico and last week's removal of Afghan war commander General Stanley McChrystal.

Noriega goes on trial in France



Manuel Noriega

PARIS, France — Former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega went on trial in France yesterday for money laundering and appeared confused about the most basic of biographical information: his age.

Noriega took the stand only briefly to give his name and age, but the 76-year-old appeared feeble, his shoulders trembling uncontrollably as he addressed the three-judge panel.

Noriega denies charges that he laundered drug trafficking profits of 15 million French francs, or 2.3 million euros

(U.S. \$2.8 million).

His lawyers, Olivier Metzner and Yves Leberquier, told reporters in front of the court that Noriega had always disclosed where his money came from.

Noriega's lawyers, meanwhile, complained about dirty, dilapidated conditions in the prison where he is being held. The former military strongman, who spent 20 years in U.S. custody for drug trafficking after being deposed in the 1989 invasion of his country, could return to prison for 10 years if he is convicted as charged in France.

His wife Felicidad, also convicted in absentia in 1999, is charged with holding 3 million euros in French accounts.

Noriega maintains that the money in France is his brother's, part of his wife's personal fortune, or was planted in the bank accounts by the CIA in order to undermine him.

Panamanian authorities have also issued an extradition request and if returned to his home country Noriega faces a maximum 20-year prison sentence for various crimes

Alex to become hurricane

CAMPECHE, Mexico — Tropical Storm Alex was likely to become a hurricane today, delaying BP Plc's efforts to increase siphoning capacity at the gushing oil leak in the Gulf of Mexico.

Forecasters said Alex was moving slowly away from Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. The storm, however, is not expected to hurt current oil-capture systems at the BP oil

spill or the company's plans to drill of a pair of relief wells intended to plug the leak by August, a BP executive told reporters in Houston.

Protectively, Shell Oil Co, Exxon Mobil Corp and Apache Corp evacuated nonessential workers from platforms near the forecast path of Alex. Shell also shut subsea production at the Auger and Brutus platforms

during the weekend.

Oil prices fell toward \$78 per barrel yesterday as most forecasters predicted the storm would pass southwest of major U.S. offshore oil and gas installations in the Gulf of Mexico.

A hurricane watch has been issued for the coast of Texas south of Baffin bay to La Cruz in Mexico.

Senator Robert Byrd dies at 92

WASHINGTON — U.S. Senator Robert Byrd, who evolved from a segregationist to a civil rights advocate in becoming the longest serving member ever of the Congress, died yesterday. First elected in 1952, Byrd was 92.

His death is not expected to have any immediate impact on the Democrats' 59-41 control of the Senate as West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin is virtually certain to appoint a fellow Democrat to succeed Byrd, whose current term expires in 2012.

But Byrd's death may

delay efforts to win final congressional approval this week of landmark legislation that he backed to tighten regulation of the financial industry.

In the early 1940s, before being elected to Congress, Byrd belonged to the Ku Klux Klan, a membership that he attributed to a youthful mistake.

In Congress, Byrd, who denounced civil rights leader Martin Luther King as a "self-seeking rabble rouser," eventually became a leading backer of civil rights.

Of the record-setting

18,500-plus Senate votes Byrd cast, he said his biggest regret was opposing the 1964 Civil Rights Act, a landmark law that brought down barriers for black Americans.

He said his views changed most dramatically after his teenage grandson was killed in a 1982 traffic accident that Byrd said put him in a deep emotional valley.

"The death of my grandson caused me to stop and think," Byrd said. "I came to realize that black people love their children as much as I do mine."

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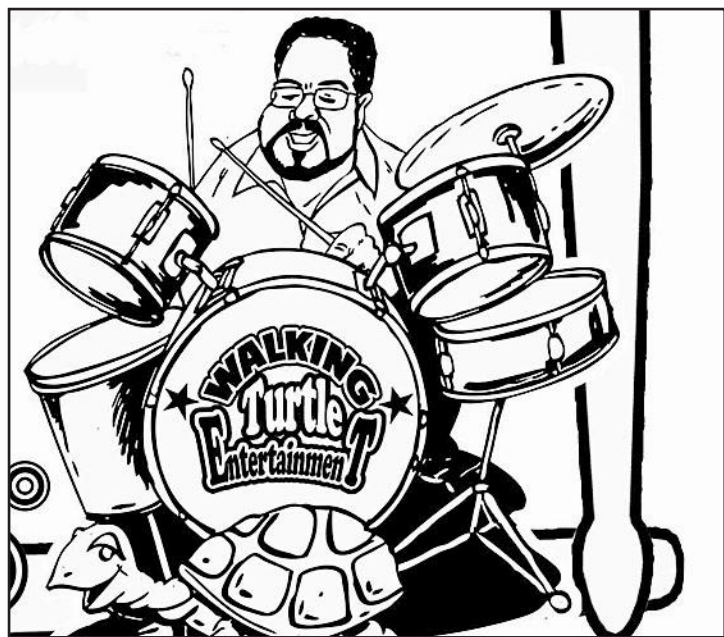
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"Drum Set and Percussion Camp 2010" by Carlos Bislip



After the successful Drum Camp held last year, Carlos Bislip once more offers the Aruban youngsters the opportunity to assist the Drum and Percussion Camp 2010 which will take place during July and August.

Aim of the camp is to introduce youngsters to the beautiful world of percussion and teach them the proper fundamentals of music through the amazing colors of percussion.

Carlos is trying to achieve this by teaching youngsters different musical disciplines, i.e.

- Music theory and rhythmic scales
- Snare Drum techniques
- Latin Percussion (Timbale and Congas)
- Local and Latin minor percussion (Guiro, Wiri and Raspa)
- Drum Set
- Multiple tone percussion

The camp starts on July 22 until August 6, from Mondays to Friday (20 days) at the Arubaanse Muziek School (Aruban music academy) at the Aruba Cultural Center. The camp consists of two different sessions, each with 10 students.

Session I (beginners): 8:00 – 11:00 a.m. (ages 10 to 12)

Session II (intermediate): 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (ages

13 to 16)

According to Carlos, during the camp of 2009, different factors came to light, among others

1. Because the students received lesson three (3) hours a day, they constantly improved in their musical knowledge and ability.

2. During the lesson there was a healthy competitive atmosphere among the students where they challenged each other to perform the most difficult musical parts

3. Attributes such as stimulating/encouragement among students, self discipline and self esteem were perceptible during the camp.

"All these elements contribute to a good character building for youngsters, which, in the future, will be useful in their daily and musical life," Carlos emphasizes.

Parents interested to register their kids for the Drum & Percussion Camp 2010, can pass at the UNOCA office in the Stadionweg 21, Oranjestad, right behind the Cultural Center.

Orientation, inscription and a test to determine the level of each student is on July 3 from noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Arubaanse Muziek School at the Cultural Center

For more information readers may call UNOCA at tel. 583-5681/583-0108 or Carlos Bislip at cell. 592-6449

Dakota Ciclovía III deemed a huge success

People walked, cycled and skateboarded or just came for health info



Based on the success of the two previous Ciclovías Aruba once again held a Ciclovía event, this time in Dakota.

Ciclovía, meaning "bike way," began in Bogotá, Colombia, where every Sunday major roads are blocked off and millions of people fill them running, walking, biking while enjoying free outdoor fitness classes like yoga and aerobics. Ciclovía I provides the opportunity to enjoy the weather, meet up with neighbors, friends while getting a little exercise – all on city streets that are closed to car traffic and open to walkers, joggers, cyclists, skaters and all other forms of natural movement. It's a event the whole family can enjoy together.

Motor vehicles are detoured

from the route allowing everyone the freedom to enjoy the outdoors- safely. It isn't a race, parade or competition. Instead, it's a chance to get some exercise, and have some fun.

Ciclovía events have since been held all over the world, including Aruba.

According to Minister of Health, dr. Richard Visser, "We are on the right track. Every time we notice more enthusiasm among attendees."

He also thanked everyone who, in some way or the other, helped to make this event a huge success.

Have you had your breakfast today? The Old Fisherman offers breakfast with an Aruban twist



Linda and Ramon Pimienta with their son Raymond, at right

When Linda and Ramon Pimienta started their small business at the old wharf down town, little did they know that they had a goldmine when it comes to the perfect blend of international and local cuisine. Nowadays, they are located right behind the Royal Plaza Mall where they serve up a storm to visitors and locals alike. What is their secret? Offering high quality dishes at super prizes that fit anyone's budget.

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If you want to really experience the Aruban twist you might want to try something from the local breakfast menu served on pan grandi (rama) or a baguette. You can try the delicious kerrie-kerrie (a typical Aruban flaked fish), conch, fish egg, shrimp, fish fillet, fish cake and the chicken soup or you can have fruit salad and yoghurt.

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U.S. embassy owes almost £4 million in UK congestion charges

LONDON, England — The U.S. embassy in London owes nearly 4 million pounds in traffic fines, the cash-strapped government said yesterday, naming and shaming diplomats who have ducked congestion charges and parking fees.

Staff at the U.S. diplomatic mission driving on the often

overcrowded streets of central London have racked up 35,602 fines for not paying the 8 pound congestion charge payable for using the busiest roads at the busiest times. Since the charge was introduced in 2003, the running total of unpaid fines for all diplomatic missions has hit 36 million pounds.



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Vanessa and her models, her family

The works embody “The eye that sees what it wishes to see; the eye that captures and tells its own story,” according to the artist.

The Westin Gallery is located next to the concierge

desk in the main lobby of Palm Beach resort and is open 24 hours a day 7 days a week for viewing.

A gallery representative is available on site every Wednesday and Friday after-

noon from 4 to 6 p.m.. If interested in obtaining a particular work, they can also be contacted during office hours at 743-4080 or 587-0004.

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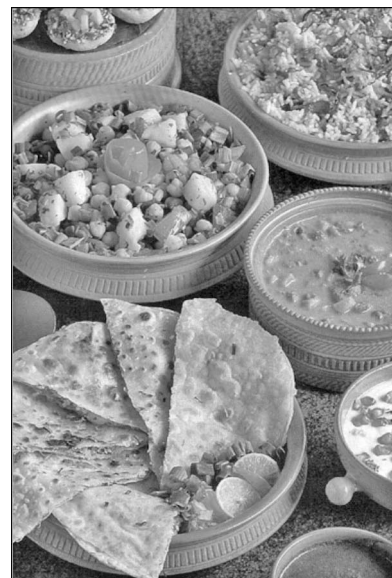
DRAM prices to continue lower through second half

Prices of DRAM, the main memory chips used in personal computers, fell for the first time in over a year in June as companies increased production and PC vendors toughened their stance on further price increases.

The price declines are important for anyone looking for a new computer because high DRAM prices are among the reasons PC prices have been pushed higher for the first time in years. But the slide in chip prices signals a turn in the market. A shortage of the chips earlier this year caused chip makers to increase production, thereby easing the shortage. Now, analysts say, prices will slide for the rest of the year.

"Gartner expects to see mild ASP (average selling price) declines for the remainder of 2010," the market researcher said, noting that DRAM vendors will also be able to keep reducing costs so they can maintain healthy profit margins despite lower selling prices.

DRAM had become so expensive this year that the chips accounted for 15 percent of the materials cost in a midrange PC, said Gartner in its Semiconductor Monday DQ Report. The cost prompted PC vendors to toughen their stance during negotiations with DRAM makers, the market researcher said, and a decline in DRAM spot prices helped PC vendors' cause as they sought lower prices.



Taj Mahal Taste of India

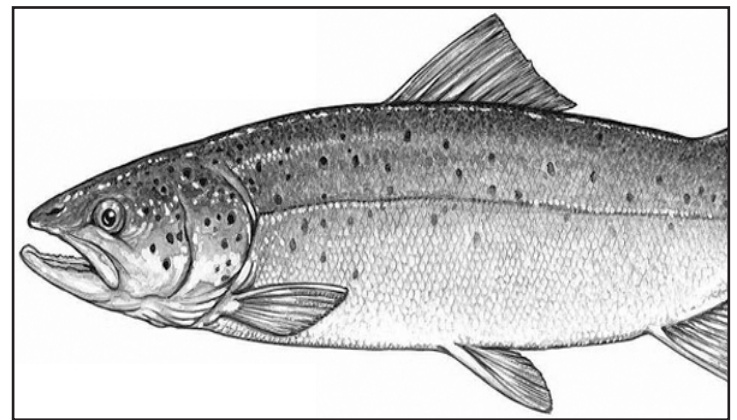
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Science/Tech

Mercury's threat greater in ocean fish than freshwater



Seawater itself is the reason why mercury in saltwater fish poses more of a health threat to humans than freshwater fish, even though concentrations of the chemical are much higher in freshwater species, according to new research.

Duke University researchers found that the po-

tentially harmful form of mercury called methylmercury attaches onto dissolved organic matter in freshwater, but latches onto the salt (chloride) in seawater.

Methylmercury is a potent neurotoxin that can cause kidney and brain disorders, and even death, the study authors explained in a university news release.

"The most common ways nature turns methylmercury into a less toxic form is through sunlight," study author Heileen Hsu-Kim, an assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering, said in the news release.

"When it is attached to dissolved organic matter, like decayed plants or animal matter, sunlight more readily breaks down the methylmercury. However, in seawater, the methylmercury remains tightly bonded to the chloride, where sunlight does not degrade it as easily. In this form, methylmercury can then be ingested by marine animals," Hsu-Kim explained.

The findings, released online in advance of publication in an upcoming print issue of the journal Nature Geoscience, suggest that scientists and policy makers should focus their attention on the effects of mercury in the ocean, rather than in freshwater, she added.

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Boosting consumption of omega-3 fatty acids doesn't seem to lower the risk of heart disease in women with type 1 diabetes, according to a new study.

Omega-3 fatty acids, found primarily in fish, help prevent the buildup of cholesterol in the arteries, but little is known about whether omega-3 helps protect people with type 1 diabetes, who are at increased risk for heart disease.

University of Pittsburgh researchers analyzed data from 601 men and women enrolled in a long-term prospective study of type 1 diabetes patients that began in 1986. The participants were diagnosed with type 1 diabetes between 1950 and 1980.

During the study, 166 participants (27.6 percent) were diagnosed with heart disease. The investigators found the lowest incidence of heart dis-

ease among men who consumed the highest amounts of omega-3 (more than 0.2 grams per day). However, lower rates of heart disease were not found among women who consumed similar amounts of omega-3.

The findings are slated to be presented Saturday at the American Diabetes Association's Scientific Sessions, held in Orlando.

"Although omega-3 is typically associated with decreased risk for cardiovascular disease, this may not be the case for women who have type 1 diabetes. Importantly, our study suggests we shouldn't assume men and women with type 1 diabetes are the same," lead author Tina Costacou, an assistant professor of epidemiology at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health, said in a university news release.

Italian researchers: New test may reveal 'birth deadline'

ROME -- A test developed by Italian researchers could let women as young as 20 predict within a few months when they will cease to be fertile, medical experts say.

The blood test could give women trying to balance careers with parenthood a "birth deadline," The Sunday Times of London reported.

Menopause occurs on average at age 51 among western women, but about 15 percent experience it early, under the age of 45, The

Times said.

The test measures levels of a hormone produced in the ovaries controlling development of the cells from which eggs develop.

"Our results suggest that the hormone (level) could precisely forecast the age at menopause, even in young women," Dr. Fahimeh Ramezani Tehrani, who led the research, said.

The Times reported a British expert on menopause said the results were encour-

aging.

"A precise test like this would be very useful," Dr. Heather Currie, co-editor of the journal of the British Menopause Society, said, "particularly to women considering delaying childbirth for family, career or other reasons."

The test could provide other benefits to women concerned with early menopause and its elevated risks of osteoporosis and heart disease, The Times said.

Surgeons enter brain through eyelid

BALTIMORE -- Doctors at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore have pioneered a technique that can spare some patients invasive brain surgery.

Liane Lefever, 47, of Manheim, Pa., was their 18th patient, The Baltimore Sun reported. Surgeons were able to remove a meningioma, a brain tumor, through an incision in her eyelid.

"When you tell people you had brain surgery, the first thing people always do is look for a scar, and that's what's amazing, there isn't one," Lefever said.

Dr. Kofi Boahene, a facial plastic and reconstructive surgeon, first used the eyelid for access three years ago. He had to do a biopsy on a 14-month-old boy, who had a tumor that could not be

reached by way of the nose - which had already become an entrance point.

In traditional brain surgery, still the most common, a patient's skull is sawn open. It involves lengthy recovery and the risk of damage to the brain.

Boahene and Dr. Alfredo Quinones-Hinojosa, who pioneered the nasal entrance point, recently published their first report on the eyelid incision.



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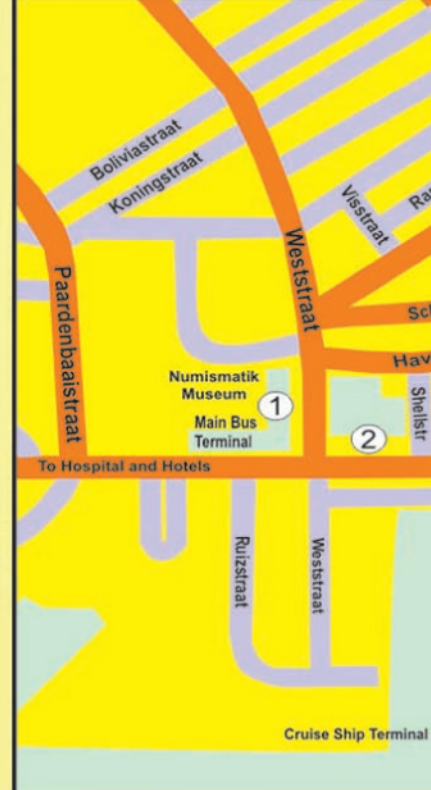
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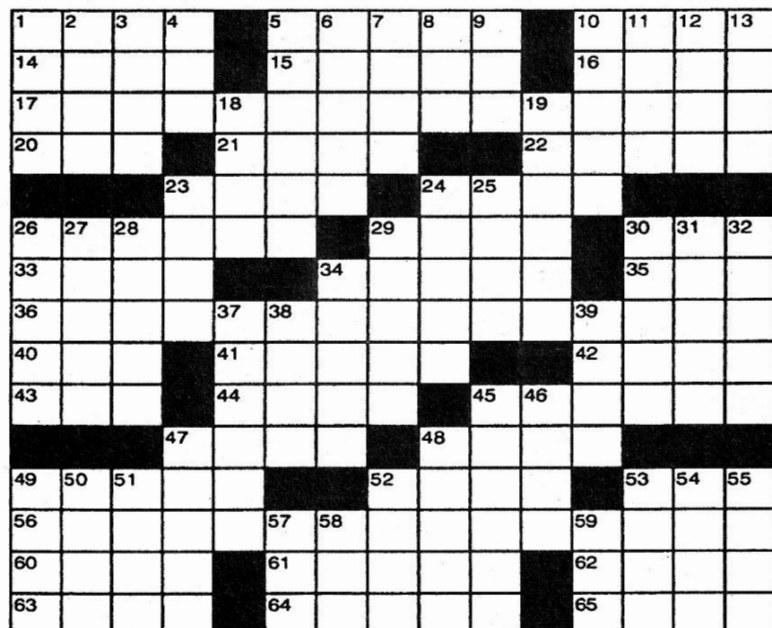
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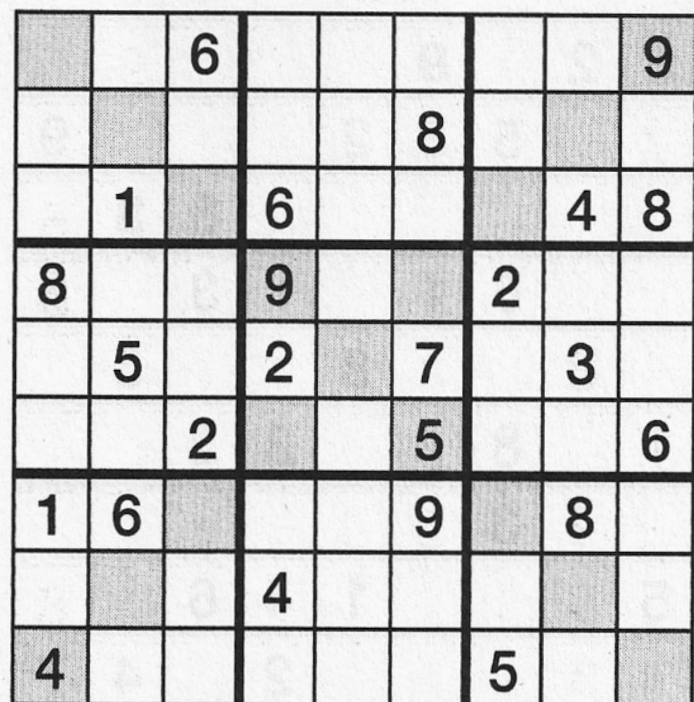
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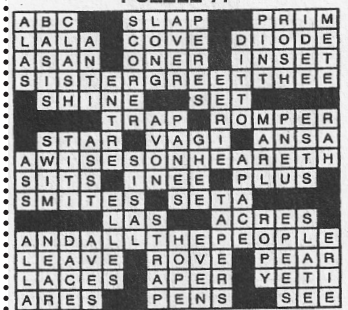
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Central banks warn of new crisis if exit left too late

BASEL, Switzerland – Governments must slash budget deficits decisively and central banks should not wait too long to raise borrowing costs as side effects from measures prescribed to tackle the global recession may create the next crisis, the Bank for International Settlements said.

The global economy as well as financial markets were on the mend, though the recovery remained fragile in the advanced economies and in the euro zone the debt crisis put the recovery at risk, the BIS said in its annual report, published yesterday.

Global leaders meeting in Toronto agreed to take different paths for shrinking budget deficits and making banking systems safer and Washington in particular has warned against cutting too fast.

The head of the BIS said there was no time to waste.

"We cannot wait for the resumption of strong growth to begin the process of policy correction," BIS general manager Jaime Caruana told the bank's annual general meeting.

"In particular, delaying fiscal policy adjustment would only risk renewed financial volatility, market disruptions and funding stress."

Caruana later told a news conference that recently announced fiscal consolidation in some countries together with the publication of bank stress tests in Europe and the support of the G20 for regulatory reforms were important steps forward.

The BIS, which acts as a bank to central banks and a

discussion platform for policy-makers, said reforms of the financial system remained key to prevent further crises.

Caruana said the benefit of making the financial system more resilient through tighter regulation outweighed any short-term growth losses.

Top central bankers met at the BIS annual meeting June 26-28 in Basel, following the G20 summit where leaders acknowledged the uneven and fragile economic recovery in many countries.

In a reversal from the unity of the past three crisis-era Group of 20 summits, the leaders left room to move at their own pace and adopt "differentiated and tailored" policies.

But the BIS warned powerful support measures had strong side effects and said their dangers were starting to emerge.

"To put it bluntly, the combination of remaining vulnerabilities in the financial system and the side effects of such a long period of intensive care threaten to send the patient into relapse," the BIS report said.

The BIS said if the extraordinary measures were kept in place for too long, policymakers ran the risk of creating "zombie" banks or companies, dependent on direct support.

But it acknowledged the tricky situation for policymakers as the stakes were high and the risks from capping lifelines too early loomed large.

Central banks especially were walking a fine line.

The banking system was still far from sound, as recent profits from fixed income and

currency trading and the low interest rate environment were hard to repeat and not all crisis-related losses may have been booked.

"But the longer that policy rates in the major advanced economies remain low, the larger will be the distortions they create, both domestically and internationally," the BIS said.

Extremely low real or inflation-adjusted rates altered investment decisions, postponed the recognition of losses, increased risk-taking in the search for yield and encouraged high levels of borrowing, the BIS said.

In addition, central bankers may underestimate inflation risks as the crisis may have lowered potential growth rate.

Markets have pushed back expectations for rate increases in the United States and in the euro zone in the wake of the Greek debt crisis, and central bankers urged Europe to solve the crisis so as not to endanger uneven global recovery.

Jassim Al-Mannai, director general of the Abu Dhabi-based Arab Monetary Fund, said banks and policymakers had to beware of fuelling bubbles.

"We have to avoid, every economic authority, not to see bubbles. Our economic policy needs to be prudent, especially monetary and even fiscal policy," he said.

Challenges for emerging economies were different as they were recovering strongly and inflation was picking up, the BIS said.

"Some EMEs could rely more on exchange rate flexibility and on monetary policy tightening," the BIS said.

The Greek debt crisis had highlighted that many governments had to consolidate their finances immediately as highly indebted countries would not be able to rescue banks as a buyer of last resort in another crisis.

Apple: iPhone 4 sold 1.7 million, despite glitches

With 1.7 million iPhone 4s sold within three days of launch, the only thing Apple's sorry for is that it couldn't meet demand.

Apple chief executive Steve Jobs said in a press release that the iPhone 4 was the company's most successful product launch ever. The two previous iPhone models, the 3GS and 3G, both sold

more than one million units in their first three days.

"Even so, we apologize to those customers who were turned away because we did not have enough supply," Jobs said.

Apple might've sold more iPhone 4s if not for component shortages. One analyst, Ashok Kumar of Rodman and Renshaw, noted that LG

Display couldn't keep up with LCD screen demand, and DigiTimes reported a rumor that component suppliers in general were overwhelmed, and will continue to have supply problems now that the phone has launched.

Still, Apple is pleased with the record-breaking sales, despite several reported iPhone 4 hardware problems.

BP oil spill costs hit \$100 million/day

LONDON, England – BP said it had spent \$300 million on its Gulf of Mexico oil spill response effort in the past three days, hitting the \$100 million/day spend rate for the first time and bringing its total bill to \$2.65 billion so far.

The figures, which BP released in a statement yesterday, include the cost of trying to cap the well, clean up the environmental damage caused by the leaking crude and pay compensation to those affected by the spill.

BP added it remained on track to complete its relief well, which aims to kill the leaking well at the point it meets the reservoir, in the three month timeframe initially envisaged, despite progress slowing on the well in recent days.

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Recognized around the world for its quality of service and cuisine, El Gaucho's heartiest applause comes from its loyal clientele, who recommend the restaurant to friends and family with complete confidence in their satisfaction.

When asking a frequent is-

land visitor where they go for a great steak, you will find most frequently their #1 choice will be The Gaucho Steak; a generous portion of prime tenderloin, charcoal-grilled to perfection. El Gaucho Restaurant also boasts the biggest shishkebab in the Caribbean, as well as a varied menu of fresh local fish and seafood, and everyone's favorite cut of steak and ribs.

2009 has brought some welcome changes; an expanded food and wine menu and the restaurant is now open on Sundays. A variety of lamb and veal dishes now garnish the menu, as well as a hearty 20-oz rib eye to satisfy your appetite.

El Gaucho Restaurant is open for lunch and dinner Monday through Saturday from 11:30 a.m. until 11:00 p.m., and on Sunday from 5:30 p.m. Visit their online guestbook at www.elgaucho-aruba.com, and peruse the glorious praise their receive from their devoted fans, as well as the updated menu.

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A kitesurfer or kiteboarder uses a board with or without foot-straps or bindings, combined with the power of a large controllable kite to propel the rider and the board across the water. In 2006, the number of kitesurfers has been estimated

at around 150,000 to 210,000, with 114,465 inflatable kites sold that same year.

The sport is becoming safer due to innovations in kite design, safety release systems, and instructions. Riding styles have evolved to suit riders and conditions, such as wakestyle, waveriding, freestyle, freeride, jumping, and crui-sing.

Kitesurfing started on the island in 1998. Armando Wester, a professional windsurfer and certified instructor, and his buddies were the first ones to introduce Kitesurfing to the island of Aruba.

Since then, they have gotten more than 5,000 visitors and locals hooked on this new

adrenaline rush sport. Their years of experience, the trade winds on the island, the beautiful Caribbean Sea and the latest equipment make it an ideal and safe place for anyone to learn to kite. Kitesurfing is a hybrid of wakeboarding, hand-gliding and windsurfing for a radical new approach of kite power.

Anyone between the ages of 8 and 77 can enjoy this sport. So don't hesitate to call Armando or visit him at the Fisherman's huts, just north of the Aruba Marriott Resort, and see for yourself what an exhilarating rush this sport really is.

Lessons start daily at 8:30 a.m. or 4 p.m.

Obama and Cameron pay off World Cup bet with beer

TORONTO, Canada – President Barack Obama and Prime Minister David Cameron exchanged beers on the weekend to honour their bet over the England-U.S. World Cup soccer match that ended in a draw. The two leaders placed the wager in a phone call earlier in the day.

"This is Goose Island 312 beer from my hometown of Chicago. ...I advised him that in America we drink our beer cold," Obama said after a meeting with Britain's new prime minister at a Group of 20 summit in Toronto.

Cameron reciprocated with a brew local to his Witney constituency called Hobgoblin.

Obama had earlier given Cameron a ride to Toronto in his Marine One helicopter from the Group of Eight summit in a resort north of Toronto, and apparently suggested his passenger pay his



US President Barack Obama and Prime Minister David Cameron toast the "special relationship" between their two countries, swapping bottles of beer after a World Cup bet.

own way.

"Thank you also for the lift between the two. It was - he threatened to send me a bill, but as I said, times are very tight in the U.K., so I'm afraid we'll have to take it as a free lift," Cameron said.

Earlier this year, Obama shipped a case of American beer to Canadian Prime Mi-

nister Stephen Harper after losing a bet over the men's Olympic hockey final in which Canada beat the United States.

Obama lost a case of Molson Canadian and an extra case of Yuengling from America's oldest brewery in Pottsville, Pennsylvania, to Harper.

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Shapewear: Can clothes make the workout?

NEW YORK – If you could slip into Scarlett O'Hara's wasp waist at will, would you still spend sweaty hours on that Pilates mat?

Shapewear, bodywear and shapers are figure flattering foundation garments that use the latest technology to smooth away those pesky love handles, tummy rolls and muffin tops.

Experts say while these very trendy undergarments may effectively eliminate the panty lines of celebrities like Gwyneth Paltrow and Jessica Alba, they are not magic bullets for the rest of us.

"For some women it's the difference between size 8 and size 10," said Maggie Adams of Spanx, the U.S.-based shapewear giant that began with footless pantyhose in 2000. "It firms everything up."

But Adams said it is not your grandmother's girdle, referring to her company's line, which now includes slimming swimwear and men's T-shirts.

"Those had boning, metal and really uncomfortable, heavy stuff. Our newest collection is a single layer. We're trying to get it as thin as possible."

Certainly the science, and the sociology, of foundation wear has come a long way since the 1830's when the corset was considered a medical necessity because it was believed that women were so fragile they needed stays to hold themselves up.

Adams said Spanx is working on a line of active wear. "We're about helping women and now men to accentuate their assets."

Leonisa Shapewear goes one step beyond. The lingerie brand, which began in Latin America, claims to redistribute and eliminate fat by creating a "lipo-transportation affect," which is described as similar to liposuction without the surgery.

"A girdle will smooth out, but once you take off a girdle you're back from where you started," said spokesperson Mary Lou Burkhardt. "If you keep using it (shapewear), you'll see a change in your

body," she said. "It's toning and tightening."

Burkhardt added that it is breathable.

"You don't sweat but it does have that compressive nature," she explained.

Jessica Matthews, spokesperson for the American Council on Exercise, said shapewear is the latest take on the compression clothing that has been used by distance runners, athletes and football players for some time.

"They're trying to tap into what has been around," said Matthews, an exercise physiologist, "saying 'wear it while you're exercising or to take the place of exercise.' There's no research to support that."

Matthews cited two recent Indiana University studies examining the influence of compression garments on athletic performance.

"They found no difference in oxygen consumption or improved performance," she said. "To achieve weight loss you must create caloric deficit. A pound of fat is equal to 3500 calories. Any warmth created by compression wear is negligible."

Matthews said researchers did feel that compression clothing could have psychological benefits for the wearer, similar to the placebo effect.

"If wearing these clothes improves their confidence and self esteem it might empower individuals to want to exercise more," she said.

That suits the folks at Spanx just fine.

"We're about helping women, and now men, to accentuate their assets, not permanently alter their bodies," said Adams. "I have heard women say that wearing Spanx is encouraging their workouts because they want to feel better."

Leonisa's spokesperson says wearing their shapers can tone the waistline and reduce cellulite.

"You're not going to be disappointed," said Burkhardt. "If you keep wearing it, you'll see the difference. It's a commitment. Like exercise."

Jabulani ball too low-tech for Mexican designers

MEXICO CITY, Mexico – If a grooved World Cup ball can upset some of the game's best players, how would they react to a ball packed with cameras, lights and a GPS chip?

A team of Mexico City-based designers are trying to revolutionize soccer with a ball that could beam out TV replays and light up in bright colors when it crosses the goal line to clear up any refereeing gaffes, like the one that cost England a goal on Sunday in its 4-1 World Cup loss to Germany.

"What we wanted to do with this ball is demonstrate how a product that historically has not changed can be innovated and taken in a completely new, completely different direction," said Alberto Villarreal, an industrial designer who is leading the project.

This year's World Cup ball, the Jabulani, has been criticized for seemingly weightless shots sailing over crossbars, wobbly trajectory and goalkeeper blunders.

Brazil goalkeeper Julio Cesar has likened the Jabulani to a cheap supermarket ball and Argentina star Lionel Messi has said playing with the ball was "very complicated."

The seamless, groove-covered Jabulani, whose name means "to celebrate" in Zulu, was billed as the most accurate ball yet when it was unveiled by the game's governing body FIFA.

"Innovations in balls in recent years have been superficial, nothing more," said Villarreal, 33, from the project's studio office in Mexico City. "But how a ball can influence different game conditions hasn't been considered."

At their office, a team of five young designers pore over screens working out the hitches of jamming cameras, a power source, chips and sensors into a 450-gram (1-pound) ball.

Challenges facing the project include creating software to stabilize images captured from multiple cameras in a rapidly spinning ball.

Designers have yet to decide on a synthetic outer material that will behave like a traditional ball but protect its delicate interior from heavy kicks and impacts from posts and crossbars. The ball will not be inflated.

Villarreal has kept the research and development costs under wraps and plans to be able to sell the design to a major ball maker in two years.

But getting a blessing from FIFA will be difficult even if the ball eventually behaves



Normal soccer ball



Jabulani soccer ball

like a traditional ball.

"FIFA has always been a bit opposed to the entrance of technology in football while it's happening in other sports," said Villarreal.

Mexico City-based ball maker Voit, whose balls are used in professional Mexican soccer, is optimistic it will become

a viable product and could be interested in manufacturing it.

"For this ball to be approved by FIFA it must meet certain characteristics," said Carla Colombo, Voit's marketing director. "Maybe it won't pass the tests but it could perfectly be part of a national or international line of balls."

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Federer, Williams sisters into Wimbledon quarters



Federer

WIMBLEDON, England — Defending champions Roger Federer and Serena Williams have won in straight sets to reach the Wimbledon quarterfinals. Venus Williams and Kim Clijsters have also reached the final eight.

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Serena Williams beat former champion Maria Sharapova 7-6 (9) 6-4 in a rematch of the 2004 final won by the Russian. Williams served 19 aces for the second straight match.

Five-time champion Venus Williams overcame 92nd-ranked Jarmila Groth of Australia 6-4, 7-6 (5), and Clijsters rallied to beat Justine Henin 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 in an all-Belgian match between former No. 1.-ranked players returning to Wimbledon after coming out of retirement.

The top-seeded Federer, who was broken once but lost only 15 of 63 points on serve, has now reached the quarterfinals at 25 consecutive Grand Slam tournaments.

"I thought I played great," he said. "Aggressive right from the start."

Five-time champion Venus Williams overcame a tough challenge from the lowest-ranked player left in the draw. The second-seeded Williams broke back twice to stay in the second set, then escaped in the tiebreaker to complete a 6-4, 7-6 (5) vic-

tory on Court 2 over 92nd-ranked Jarmila Groth of Australia.

"There wasn't a lot of room for error for either one of us against each other's serve," Williams said. "She played really well today. I didn't think she made too many errors. Just really played some smart tennis and took advantage of opportunities. I played well at the end to close it out."

The victory sent Williams into her 31st Grand Slam quarterfinal and improved her record to 12-0 in fourth-round matches at the All England Club. She is seeded to meet sister Serena, the defending champion and three-time winner, in Saturday's final. Serena was facing 2004 champion Maria Sharapova.

Clijsters fought back to beat Henin 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 in a duel between two Belgians and former No. 1-ranked players making Wimbledon comebacks after returning from retirement. The win gave Clijsters a 13-12 advantage in their head-to-head meetings.

Henin received treatment on her right elbow on three changeovers after slipping and falling to the turf as she charged to the net at 2-1 in the first set. She said the elbow was "quite painful" and bothered her on her serves and backhands, but didn't know the extent of the problem.

"I don't really know how it affected (the match)," said Henin, who has seven Grand Slam titles but has yet to win Wimbledon. "We'll see in the next few days."

Henin seemed in complete command after easily winning the first set, but Clijsters lifted her game in the second.



Serena

"She came out of the blocks really fast and she started dominating from the beginning of the rallies and I kind of felt overwhelmed by it," Clijsters said. "It was up to me at the beginning of the second set to stay in the points and serve better."

"I had to stay in the rallies and that's how I turned it around, a few longer rallies where I felt that I was hitting the ball better and it was going my way in the end."

Clijsters made the decisive break in the eighth game of the final set after Henin sailed a forehand long, then served out the match. The two players exchanged kisses on the cheek at the net.

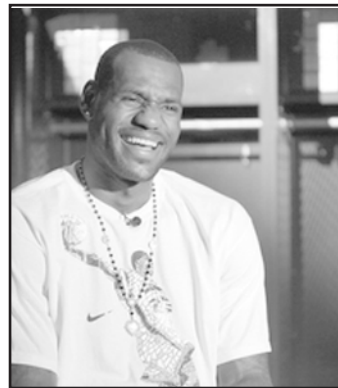
"I can't believe we're back to this after so many years of battling against each other," Clijsters said. "I think this was our 25th battle, so we go way back but we play really good tennis and I think we showed some good stuff out there today."

Clijsters will play Russian Vera Zvonareva in the quarterfinals.

Zvonareva advanced when fourth-seeded Jelena Jankovic retired with a back injury while trailing 6-1, 3-0. It's the fourth time the Serb has gone out in the fourth round here, while the Russian made it to the quarters for the first time.

In an upset, third-seeded Caroline Wozniacki lost 6-2, 6-0 in just 46 minutes to unseeded Czech Petra Kvitova. The 19-year-old Dane, last year's U.S. Open runner-up, was overwhelmed by the 62nd-ranked Kvitova, managing just four winners to her opponent's 23.

LeBron's manager: No tour



LeBron James

The NBA superstar's business manager told ESPN.com recently that James has no plans to go on a recruiting trip when free agency opens on July 1. There had been speculation that the two-time MVP would hit the road like a college recruit next week to be courted by teams.

"LeBron is not going on a tour," Maverick Carter told ESPN. "He never planned to go on a tour and has not been a part of any team's plans for a recruiting trip."

Carter said that once free agency begins that James will meet teams at neutral sites, but not at his home outside Akron, Ohio.

The New York Knicks were reportedly planning a splashy, rooftop dinner for James and his associates in

Manhattan this week.

James has already met with Cavaliers owner Dan Gilbert, who traveled to Akron last week along with members of Cleveland's front office to visit the All-Star forward. On Thursday, general manager Chris Grant refused to characterize the team's discussions with James.

"We're a family here," Grant said.

There's a chance the Cavs will meet with James again before he hits the open market, Grant said. James is the most coveted member of a stellar free-agent class featuring fellow Olympians Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh. Cleveland can offer James up to \$30 million more than any other team on a maximum-length contract.

James has not given any indication which way he's leaning. He has spent his entire career with the Cavs, who were knocked out of the playoffs in the second round by Boston. James has said winning is the most important factor in choosing his next team.

Grant wouldn't divulge any special plans by the Cavs to woo James.

"We have a plan and we will execute it," he said.

Kerr romps to 12-stroke win at LPGA Championship



PITTSFORD, N.Y. —Cristie Kerr spent all week discussing her dream to become the first American to be ranked No. 1 in the world.

She can stop dreaming.

After producing one of the most dominating performances to win the LPGA Championship—or any other major for that matter—Kerr is projected by the LPGA to secure the top spot once the rankings are released Mon-

day.

"It feels awesome. There are no other words," Kerr said Sunday after claiming her second major title by blowing away the field by a whopping 12 strokes at Locust Hill Country Club. "I've always wanted to be the No. 1 player in the world. ... I'm there now, but I have to prove that I deserve to be there. So there is still a lot of work ahead."

But, Kerr added with a beaming smile, "It feels awfully good right now."

Kerr, the 2007 U.S. Women's Open champion, closed with a 6-under 66 for a 19-under 269 total to win the tournament leading wire-to-wire.



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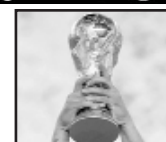


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Argentina keeper Romero says 'no' to technology

PRETORIA — Argentina goalkeeper Sergio Romero went against the grain on Monday by calling for footballing authorities to resist the temptation to introduce goal-line technology.

The debate has been raging with world football governing body FIFA firmly opposed to electronic and video assistance for referees, but the pressure was cranked up on Sunday during the World Cup second round.

England were denied a valid goal against Germany when the referee and linesman failed to spot that Frank Lampard's shot had come down off the crossbar and landed fully a metre over the line before bouncing out.

In the late game, Argentina's Carlos Tevez opened the scoring against Mexico from an offside position.

Again neither linesman

nor referee spotted the infringement and this time an invalid goal stood.

Despite the controversy, Romero believes the power of the referee should be respected.

"I'm against technology in football. If you put a chip inside the ball you'll take away the vibrancy of great players and football is for living not for technology," he said.

Looking ahead to their next match against Germany in the quarter-finals, the AZ Alkmaar stopper said there were plenty of reasons for the South Americans to be wary, although he said the Germans should also be on their guard.

"Without a doubt Germany are a strong team and they slow down the game like they did in Germany (in March in a friendly which Argentina won 1-0), but we dealt well with that," he said.

"(Lukas) Podolski has a

great shot from distance and (Miroslav) Klose chases after every ball.

"(Mesut) Ozil is a very good player, he's left-footed and has good technique.

"They have big players who come up for all the corners and free-kicks but we know that we have great players and it will be difficult for them."

Four years ago Argentina lost on penalties to Germany at the same stage of the competition.

The German goalkeeper in 2006 Jens Lehmann revealed that he had a "cheat-sheet" on which he had written which way each Argentine player usually shot when he took a spot-kick.

Romero said he doesn't have a similar written aid, but admitted that he and his fellow Argentina goalkeepers have been doing their homework.

Future bleak for England after WCup



JOHANNESBURG — Amid the debris of another World Cup flop, England looks for a

bright light to give it some hope for the future and finds nothing.

Sunday's 4-1 defeat by Germany is not just England's worst ever loss at the World Cup, it points to the cold reality that what looked like a squad which could be a contender for the latter stages was barely good enough to get out of the first round. And there is no sign of anything better to come.

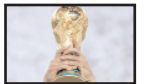
The best England can offer right now for the future are Theo Walcott, Adam Johnson, Jack Wilshere, Jack Rodwell and goalkeeper Joe Hart.

All have shown flashes of potential for their clubs but not enough to show that there is a Lionel Messi, Cristiano Ronaldo or Kaka among them.





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Netherlands 2, Slovakia 1; Brazil 3, Chile 0

Brazil ease past Chile, to set-up Dutch showdown



Luis Fabiano of Brazil (L) celebrates scoring his team's second goal with team mates Kaka and Dani Alves

The Netherlands clinically ended Slovakia's giantkilling run at the World Cup on Monday while Brazil finally turned on the style to crush Chile and set up an enticing clash with the Dutch in the quarter-finals.

The Netherlands joined fellow Europeans Germany in the last eight with a 2-1 win over the Slovaks before Brazil switched on the Samba turbo power their fans had been waiting for to beat Chile 3-0, despite a spirited fight by the Latin American underdogs.

Brazil, accused of being insipid up to now, spiced up

their game to stand comparison with their great rivals and fellow quarter-finalists Argentina.

Fine goals from Juan and Luis Fabiano in the first half and Robinho after the break continued the torment of Chile at the hands of the five-times champions, who have now beaten them eight matches in a row.

The Dutch were dominant throughout and tiny Slovakia rarely came close to repeating their shock elimination of holders Italy last week, although Robert Vittek scored a consolation penalty just before the whistle.



Dirk Kuyt of the Netherlands celebrates with Arjen Robben

Arjen Robben, making his first start, picked up a superb long ball from Wesley Sneijder and slammed in a left-footed shot in the 18th minute. Sneijder doubled the score six minutes from the end at the match in Durban.

They will face a much sterner test against the Brazilians on this form in Port Elizabeth on Friday.

SAMBA POWER

The Samba Boys looked brilliant in attack and solid in defense to almost mirror the panache that swept Diego Maradona's Argentina into the quarters with a 3-1 defeat of a tough Mexican side on Sunday.

There are now three Latin American sides in the last eight including Uruguay.

While Netherlands went through comfortably after maintaining their perfect record, England wallowed in shame after a humiliating 4-1 defeat on Sunday by Germany, which resulted in a torrent of British press abuse.

Their shaken Italian manager Fabio Capello said he wanted to stay in the job, despite England's worst defeat at a World Cup, but told reporters his future would be decided after two weeks reflection by the Football Association.

Seasoned observers said England's showing was one

of the worst seen by the country in a World Cup.

The humiliation of another European soccer power,

France, claimed the head of the president of their federation on Monday when Jean-Pierre Escalettes resigned.



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